

Business Pulse

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Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+18% (+5)	+17% (-2)	-3% (-12)	+16% (-6)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+43% (-8)	+41% (-2)	+28% (+4)	+41% (+5)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-2% (-14)	-4% (-4)		+1% (-18)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-3% (-4)		+10% (-1)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+41% (-2)	+42% (+5)	+33% (0)	+68% (+9)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+25% (-4)	+24% (-3)	+25% (-2)	+45% (+5)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+8% (+4)	+3% (0)	+3% (-2)	+3% (-2)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+15% (-1)	+16% (+1)	+6% (+2)	+21% (+4)

*Business Activity refers to production in the case of industry, demand/turnover for services, sales for retail and building activity for construction.

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Note: Balances are calculated as the difference between positive and negative responses (using weighted averages for questions with multiple options).

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